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Uxbridge. Jan 26th 1879

Dr. Engelman.

Dear Sir; Very likely you have received the Un. paper, ere this, containing the record of the death of Dr. J. N. Robbins of this place, & our family of which he had been a loved & honored member, for more than forty years; & the vacancy made by his removal to "the better land" is such as can never be filled, by human agency. His life & character, were of no ordinary stamp, tho his modesty often put him in the shade, while less planets revelled in brighter sunlight. But we knew, & loved him sincerely to the end & those last days of earthly pilgrimage, often replete with suffering, but borne with patient resignation have left a lasting memory in our aching hearts.

I will not repeat what you already know, but if there are any plants here, sent by yourself, that you would like returned, please send word to that effect.

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The Dr. thought very likely a package marked Sweets should be returned, but was unable to write very much for several weeks preceding his passing away. But Calmly & intelligently made every arrangement in his power, in regard to his worldly affairs, having settled his religious belief long time ago, & grown rich in Spiritual knowledge, which he desires to be openly avowed. I enclose a card that you may send any request that pleases you.

Please address

Mrs. S. M. H. Perry.

Respectfully yrs.

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